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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Thomas E Borillo et al.
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For : APPARATUS FOR IMPLANTING DEVICES IN ATRIAL
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 5, 2003.
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begin on page 9 of this paper.

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Amendment dated September 24, 2003

Reply to Office Action mailed June 5, 2003

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 20 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 21 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 31 of this paper.